#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Project Staff Report 2013 First Round June 12, 2013

Project Number CA-13-064

**Project Name** Citrus Circle Apartments

Site Address: 121-311 S. Buena Vista Avenue

Corona, CA 92882 County: Riverside

Census Tract: 417.040

Tax Credit Amounts Federal/Annual State/Total

Requested: \$1,170,655 \$0 Recommended: \$1,170,655 \$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: Citrus Circle Apartments, LP

Contact: Todd Cottle

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General partner(s) or principal owner(s): OHDC Citrus Circle, LLC

C&C Citrus Circle, LLC

General Partner Type: Joint Venture
Developer: C&C/OHDC

Investor/Consultant: National Equity Fund, Inc.

Management Agent(s): Advanced Property Services, LLC

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: New Construction & Rehabilitation

Total # Residential Buildings: 4
Total # of Units: 61

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 60 100% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60% Federal Subsidy: HUD NSP

Affordability Breakdown by Units and % (Lowest Income Points):

30% AMI: 6 10 % 40% AMI: 12 20 % 50% AMI: 24 40 %

**Information** 

Set-Aside: N/A

Housing Type: Large Family

Geographic Area: Inland Empire Region

TCAC Project Analyst: DC Navarrette

### **Unit Mix**

14 1-Bedroom Units

28 2-Bedroom Units

19 3-Bedroom Units

61 Total Units

				Proposed
		2013 Rents Targeted	2013 Rents Actual	Rent
		% of Area Median	% of Area Median	(including
Uni	it Type & Number	Income	Income	<u>utilities)</u>
1	1 Bedroom	30%	30%	\$358
2	2 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$430
1	3 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$496
1	2 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$430
1	3 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$496
2	1 Bedroom	40%	40%	\$478
3	2 Bedrooms	40%	40%	\$574
3	3 Bedrooms	40%	40%	\$662
2	1 Bedroom	40%	40%	\$478
2	2 Bedrooms	40%	40%	\$574
2	1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$597
7	2 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$717
7	3 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$828
4	1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$597
4	2 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$717
1	1 Bedroom	60%	60%	\$717
6	2 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$861
6	3 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$993
2	1 Bedroom	60%	60%	\$717
3	2 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$861
1	3 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

**Project Financing** 

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$16,012,155 Estimated Residential Project Cost: \$16,012,155 Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:
Per Unit Cost: \$2

\$129 \$262,494

# **Construction Financing**

## **Permanent Financing**

Source	Amount	Source	Amount
Bank of America	\$9,585,515	Bank of America	\$1,252,510
City of Corona NSP	\$2,300,000	City of Corona NSP	\$2,300,000
City of Corona Land Donation	\$775,000	City of Corona Land Donation	\$775,000
City of Corona Fee Waiver	\$230,696	City of Corona Fee Waiver	\$230,696
City of Corona Fee Deferral	\$363,686	City of Corona Fee Deferral	\$363,686
Deferred Costs	\$304,150	General Partner Equity	\$100
Deferred Developer Fee	\$778,085	Tax Credit Equity	\$11,090,163
General Partner Equity	\$100	TOTAL	\$16,012,155
Limited Partner Equity	\$1,674,924		

#### **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis: \$10.005.597 130% High Cost Adjustment: Yes 100.00% **Applicable Fraction: Qualified Basis:** \$13,007,276 Applicable Rate: 9.00% \$1,170,655 Maximum Annual Federal Credit: Approved Developer Fee in Project Cost: \$1,556,170 Approved Developer Fee in Eligible Basis: \$1,400,000 Investor/Consultant: National Equity Fund, Inc. Federal Tax Credit Factor: \$0.94735

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

## **Eligible Basis and Basis Limit**

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis: \$10,005,597 Actual Eligible Basis: \$11,774,464 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$13,398,884 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$13,398,884

Adjustments to Basis Limit: None.

#### **Tie-Breaker Information**

First: Large Family Second: 35.420%

## **Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. Annual operating expenses exceed the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one. Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 9.00% of the qualified basis, or, in the case of acquisition credit or credit combined with federal subsidies, 3.20%. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

#### Special Issues/Other Significant Information: None.

**Legal Status:** Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed that raised any question regarding the financial viability or legal integrity of the applicant.

#### **Local Reviewing Agency:**

The Local Reviewing Agency, the City of Corona, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal Tax Credits/Annual \$1.170.655 State Tax Credits/Total \$0

#### **Standard Conditions**

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation, any Readiness to Proceed Requirements elected, and a Final Reservation. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of ten years and at no cost to the tenants. Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(6) at project completion. Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2) at project completion.

## Additional Conditions: None.

Points System	Max. Possible	Requested	Points
Folius System	Points	<b>Points</b>	Awarded
Cost Efficiency / Credit Reduction / Public Funds	20	20	20
Public Funds	20	20	20
Owner / Management Characteristics	9	9	9
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	10	10
Site Amenities	15	15	15
Within ¼ mile of transit stop, service every 30 minutes in rush hours	6	6	6
Within ½ mile of public park or community center open to general public	2	2	2
Within 1.5 miles of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	3	3	3
Within 1 mile of a public high school students may attend	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of a pharmacy	1	1	1
Service Amenities	10	10	10
LARGE FAMILY, SENIOR, AT-RISK HOUSING TYPES			
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill bldg classes, min. 84 hrs/yr instruction	7	7	7
Health & wellness services and programs, min. 60 hrs per 100 bdrms	3	3	3
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	10
NEW CONSTRUCTION/ADAPTIVE REUSE			
Develop project in accordance w/ requirements of: LEED	5	5	5
Develop project to requirements of: LEED Silver	3	3	3
Energy efficiency beyond CA Building Code Title 24 requirements: 17.5%	2	2	2
REHABILITATION			
Rehabilitate to improve energy efficiency (change in HERS II rating): 30%	10	10	10
Lowest Income	52	52	52
Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed	20	20	20
Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies	2	2	2
State Credit Substitution	2	2	2
Total Points	148	148	148

<u>Please Note:</u> If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.